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SUBJECT: FONMIN NSEKALIJE AND "COMMUNAL DEMONSTRATION CENTERS"

REFS: A) KIGALI 39 B) KIGALI A-88 OF DEC 27, 1974

1. AMB SAW FONMIN NSEKALIJE JAN 29 ON VARIOUS TOPICS AND TOOK OPPORTUNITY PROVIDE PERSONAL LETTER "CLARIFYING" THAT FOOD STORAGE AND MARKETING "COMPLEMENTARY" PROJECT MENTIONED TO FONMIN DURING HIS CONVERSATIONS IN US REFERRED TO PENDING CRS SILO PROJECT RATHER THAN COM-MUNAL DEMONSTRATION CENTERS. LETTER NOTED THAT IF CRS PROJECT SUCCESSFUL, IT COULD BE EXPANDED IN TIME TO OTHER MISSIONS AND COMMUNES. FONMIN ACCEPTED LETTER WITH SATISFACTORY GRACE, BUT REVIEWED SOMEWHAT DEFEN-SIVELY EARLIER (JAN 74) DISCUSSIONS IN WHICH USG HAD AGREED CONSIDER COMMUNAL DEVELOPMENT CENTERS AND HAD NOT EXPLICITLY TURNED PROJECT DOWN. AMB AGREED AND COMMENTED USG CONTINUING REVIEW OTHER POTENTIAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS FOR RWANDA. HOWEVER, COMMUNAL DEMONSTRATION CENTERS NO LONGER UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR "ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECH-NICAL" REASONS

2. AT SAME TIME, AMB DELIVERED NOTE FORMALLY NOTIFYING GOR OF AID-CRS INTENTIONS ON SILO PROJECT (LOCAL CRS REP LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INFORMED AND REVIEWED NOTE PRIOR DELIVERY).

3. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH NO DEPT/AID RESPONSE TO REFS HAD BEEN RECEIVED BY TIME OF MEETING, AMB (ON BASIS DISCUSSIONS RECENT VISITS FROM AF/C, AFR/CWA AND REDSO) BELIEVES EVIDENCE POINTS TO CRS PROJECT AS SOURCE OF CONFUSION AND THAT FURTHER DELAY IN RESPONSE WOULD HAVE LENT CREDENCE TO FONMIN POSITION. WE BELIEVE THIS POTENTIAL ISSUE CAN NOW BE CONSIDERED NIPPED. FRITTS

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